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The INTRODUCTION.

Dullneſs! whoſe good old cauſe I yet defend,
With whom my Muſe began, with whom ſhall end!
For thee I dim theſe eyes and ſtuff this head
With all ſuch reading as was never read. **Dunciad. B. I.**

BIBLIOTECA PONTIFICIA

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THE beſt Things here below are liable to be corrupted, and the better Things are in their own Natures, the more miſchievous are they if corrupted †. Books are on all hands allowed to be of the greateſt Benefit to Mankind: whence I infer, that a bad Book muſt be one of the greateſt of Evils. Our Society has been always compoſed of ſuch learned and worthy Members, as have produced the beſt of Books themſelves, and done what in them lay to ſuppreſs the bad. This Procedure has drawn on them the Oppoſition of ſome Men, whoſe Malice infinitely ſurpaſſes their Ability: but after all the Pains they have taken, they have proved nothing, but that they themſelves have *neither the reaſoning of Men of Senſe, nor the Style of polite Men, nor the ſincerity of honeſt Men, nor the humanity of Gentlemen, or Men of Letters* †. Theſe Men (if I may ſo call them) whenever they have been deſirous to run down any Book, as low, trivial, and contemptible, have beſtowed on it the Epithet of *Grub-ſtreet*, as if it was a ſufficient Note of Infamy to ſuppoſe it to come from this Place. But this Paper will abundantly convince the Publick of what Dignity, Excellence, and Uſe our Society is; and how mean and deſpicable our Adverſaries are. The Reaſons already laid down ſeem ſufficient to ſhew, why this Paper ought now to be publiſhed: it will perhaps be more difficult to ſatisfy the Publick why ſomething of this kind never came out before.

It is true indeed, that altho' this Society has ſubſiſted many Years, yet they have never before publiſhed any thing as a Society. But if this be an Objection, it muſt hold as ſtrong againſt other Societies of Men of Letters. The *Royal Academy of Sciences* at *Paris* never publiſhed any of their Memoirs till thirty Years ago; and the *Royal Society* of *London* have not publiſhed any Hiſtory of themſelves, except what was done by Dr. *Sprat* ſoon after their Inſtitution. But that nothing be wanting, a learned Member is preparing an Account of the Antiquities of *Grub-ſtreet*, with it's Hiſtory, continued down to the preſent Time. So that our Account in this Paper may begin at this Inſtant; and we may continue to give the Publick a weekly Hiſtory of the moſt important of their Tranſactions.

In the purſuit of this Deſign, we ſhall relate their admiſſions of new Members, which are very frequent. For no ſooner does any learned Gentleman publiſh a Work, which they approve of, but they immediately give him a Place among them. We ſhall alſo communicate an Account of ſuch Books, as ſhall receive their Approbation. It may be objected perhaps, that this is already done in the *New Memoirs of Literature*. I anſwer; That Author, tho' he gives an Account of the Works of ſeveral of our Members, and is indeed one of them himſelf, yet omits a great Number of excellent Books; the deſign of his Undertaking being chiefly to recommend thoſe which are publiſhed for one Bookſeller only. We ſhall alſo publiſh Diſſertations, as the Society and the Compoſers of them ſhall give leave; and ſometimes relate the learned Debates which happen among our Members on a great variety of Subjects. And as political Diſſertations have been always the peculiar Province of this Society, care will be taken that their Journal may never be deficient in this particular. This Branch is committed to Mr. *Quidnunc*, a worthy old Citizen, who has ſacrificed his own Advantage to that of the publick. This great Scholiaſt has undertaken to collect all the material Articles of News from the other Papers; to digeſt them into a proper Method, and illuſtrate them with critical Obſervations. He has likewiſe ngaged to publiſh ſeveral occaſional Papers, relating to Murders, Apparitions, Prodigies, &c.

Mr. *Quidnunc*'s conſtant Employment in the Service of the Society, obliges him to reſide in their Houſe; that he may always be in a readineſs to make the moſt proper Uſe of any Intelligence which may be communicated. He is accompany'd, in his Reſidence, by Mr. *Poppy*, an excellent Poet; who will not only frequently entertain the Town with ſome of his Poems in this Paper; but is likewiſe ready to compoſe Panegyricks or Satyrs, Anagrams or Acroſticks, Copies of Verſes from Friends of Authors, or annual Salutations from City Bell-men to their worthy Maſters and Miſtreſſes, at reaſonable Rates.

I muſt not omit the mention of one very conſiderable Member, who bears the Title of Hiſtorian to the Society, *Gyles Blunderbuſs*, Eſq; The other Officers receive Salaries from the Society; but Squire *Blunderbuſs* has generouſly declin'd the receiving of any of the publick Money; *ſomebody having left him ſomething to live on.* We ſhall ſometimes oblige the Publick with the Characters drawn by him of our deceaſed Members.

As for my ſelf, the Care of publiſhing this Paper will lie on me. And tho' I ſhall have ſufficient Matter from the Journals of the Society, to continue the Publication of it weekly; yet if any learned Perſons will favour me with their Correſpondence, their ingenious Communications ſhall be honourably taken notice of, by their Faithful Friend and Humble Servant,

BAVIUS.

† *Theſe Words are borrow'd from Mr.* Dennis, *in his Preface to* The uſefulneſs of the Stage.

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OUR learned Secretary Mr. *Bavius* having given a ſufficient Account of the general deſign of this Paper; I ſhall content my ſelf with only ſaying a little about the Part I bear in it. The Method, in which I ſhall diſpoſe the News, will be quite different from that uſed in the other Papers. They all, with great Impropriety, begin with the Foreign News and end with the Domeſtick. This is like travelling into Foreign Countries, before we have taken a Survey of our own. The diſpoſition of the News is a Subject I have long thought of with great concern, and am mighty glad of this opportunity of giving the Publick a better Model. It muſt needs pleaſe every Body to ſee what has been doing for a whole Week, firſt in London, and in the Country, and at laſt Abroad. And beſides I ſhall add the Author at the end of each Paragraph; that ſo the gentle Reader may know on what Authority he is to depend for the Truth or Probability of each Article. The firſt Place will be given to the *Gazette*; then the other Papers will be regarded according to their Seniority. And where any Paragraph needs an Explanation, I ſhall not fail to add a ſuitable Remark. I ſhall not detain the Reader any longer with Prefacing (a thing I am not at all fond of) but, after wiſhing him a happy New-Year, give him the beſt Entertainment that is in the Power of his Humble Servant,

JEFFERY QUIDNUNC.

LONDON, *January* 1.

The noted Roger Johnſon, charged in Cuſtody of the Keeper of Newgate, upon an Extent for the Sum of 800 l. due to the King for his running of Brandy, is making interceſſion to compound the ſaid Debt in order to get his Liberty. *St. James's Evening.*

Capt. Gainer, who was Sub-Brigadier in the Third Troop of Life-Guards, ſucceeds Capt. Slater, as Brigadier in the ſaid Troop. *Ibid.*

This Day at noon, there was a numerous appearance of Nobility and Perſons of Diſtinction at St. James's, to compliment his Majeſty on the New-Year; when a Song made on this Occaſion by the Rev. Mr. *Euſden, Poet Laureat*, and ſet to Muſick by Mr. Eccles, Maſter of the Band of Muſick, was performed. *Whitehall Evening.*

The Mathematical Boys of Chriſt's Hoſpital were preſented to his Majeſty according to the annual Cuſtom, and received his Majeſty's uſual Bounty. *Ibid.*

The St. James's Evening informs us, that they were carried in Hackney Coaches.

We hear, that an Enſign, a Serjeant, and a Drummer, of each Company of the Firſt Regiment of Foot-Guards, have Orders to go a Recruiting, in order to compleat every Company in the ſaid Regiment 50 effective Men. *Whitehall* and *London Evening.*

Friday, Jan. 2.

The following Meſſengers are appointed to attend his Majeſty in the Month of January, *viz.* Mr. William Ward, Mr. John Turner, ſen. Mr. John Parry, and Mr. Valentine Randal. The two firſt are ordered to attend in the Guard-Chamber, from nine o' Clock in the Morning till his Majeſty goes to Bed. *Daily-Poſt Boy.*

The Rev. Dr. Marſhal, jun. is very ill, and is attended by three Phyſicians. *Ibid.*

The Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy have given Notice, that the two Months Pay in ſix, due to the Company of his Majeſty's Ships undermention'd, *viz.* Angleſea and Experiment, will be paid on Monday the 12th Inſtant, at the Pay-Office in Broad-ſtreet. *Ibid.*

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to order, that all the Officers lately reduc'd ſhall be provided for in the Regiments they reſpectively belong'd to, according to their Seniority, as Vacancies ſhall happen. *Daily Poſt.*

Saturday, Jan. 3.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Godolphin is building fine Stables for his running Horſes on Hogmagog-Hill near New-Market, where Mr. Frampton's Stables formerly were kept for that Purpoſe. *Fog's Journal.*

Letters from the *OLD* HOUSE inform us, that the expected Comedy, call'd, *The Humours of Oxford*, has been rehearſed with great Applauſe, to a very ſmall Audience. We are told, that it banters the deprav'd taſte of the Age for Farce and Dumb-ſhew; and that among other Scenes, there will be one of Mount *Parnaſſus*; that *Pegaſus* will be repreſented by an Aſs, who will pop out at the top of it, and inſtruct the Director of the *Pantomimes*. But whether the Taſte of the Town may not be too much vitiated to approve ſuch Pleaſantries, tho' never ſo judicious, may juſtly be made a Queſtion. *Weekly Medley.*

Mr. Bavius *thinks it ſtrange, that a* great Applauſe *ſhould proceed from* a very ſmall Audience, *unleſs the Actors agreed, as uſual, to* clap *one another.*

Yeſterday Morning dy'd at his Houſe in St. James's Square, the Right Hon. David Earl of Portmore, Governor of Gibraltar: He is ſucceeded in Honour and Eſtate by his only Son Charles Viſcount Milſingtown, Member of Parliament for Andover in Hants; a young Gentleman remarkable for his Generoſity, and punctuality in paying his Debts. It's to be obſerved, that his elder Brother, the late Lord Milſingtown (that dy'd Abroad) his Lady, and two of their Children, have all dy'd in about two Years. *Univerſal Spectator.*

The Courant *of this Day informs us, that his Lordſhip is dangerouſly indiſpoſed: But all the other Papers agree with the Author above-cited.*

Yeſterday was held a Board at the Admiralty, at which were preſent the Lord Torrington, Sir Charles Wager, and the Lord Archibald Hamilton; at which time Mr. John Webb, Boatſwain of the Griffin Fire-ſhip, was made Boatſwain of the Colcheſter Man of War, in the room of Mr. Jewell deceaſed. *Daily Courant.*

Yeſterday was held a Board of Admiralty at the Admiralty Office, Whitehall, at which were preſent Sir Charles Wager, Sir John Norris, Lord Torrington, Lord Archibald Hamilton, and Sir William Young; when ſeveral diſabled Sailors were minuted for Admittance into Greenwich Hoſpital. *Poſt-Boy.*

The ſame Evening, Orders were ſent to the Horſe-Guards for a Party of Horſe to attend on his Royal Highneſs the Prince, who ſets out this Morning with divers of the Nobility to take the Diverſion of Shooting in Richmond New Park. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday William Grimes was committed to Newgate by Sir William Billers, on the Oath of Thomas Cox, for robbing him on the Highway. *Ibid.*

The Counteſs Dowager of Weſtmoreland lies dangerouſly ill at her Houſe in Dover-ſtreet, Piccadilly. *Poſt-Boy.*

On Thurſday laſt dy'd the Right Hon. the Earl of Nottingham, at his Seat at Burleigh on the Hill in the County of Rutland. He is ſucceeded in Honour and Eſtate by the Right Hon. the Lord Finch, Knight of the Shire for the County of Rutland. *Ibid.*

The Rev. Dr. Dobſon, Warden of Wincheſter College, lies dangerouſly ill at his Apartment there. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday Mr. Walker the Publiſher, who was taken into Cuſtody laſt Tueſday by Mr. Wiggs, Mr. Crew, and Mr. Hutchins, three of his Majeſty's Meſſengers, by Virtue of his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle's Warrant, for printing and publiſhing a Pamphlet, entitled, *A Letter to a Member of Parliament in the North*, &c. was admitted to Bail before Mr. Delafaye. Mrs. Mary Baker, who was taken into Cuſtody at the ſame time for bringing the Copy to him, and Mr. du Place, a German Gentleman, who is ſuppoſed to be the Author of the ſaid Pamphlet, and alſo taken into Cuſtody laſt Tueſday, are continued in the Meſſenger's Cuſtody in order for farther Examination. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday began the General Quarter-Seſſions of the Peace for the Royalty of the Tower of London and the Liberties and Precincts thereof, at the Court-houſe on great Tower-hill, when Sir John Gonſon, being in the Chair, gave a moſt incomparable, learned, and fine Charge to the Grand Jury. *Daily Poſt.*

The Morning-Poſt *calls Sir John's Charge* Excellent, Learned, *and* Loyal. *The* Evening Poſt *calls it an* excellent Lecture *and* uſeful Charge.

Laſt Night the Rev. Dr. Dwight and his Wife were both interr'd at Fulham. By their Deaths about 6000 *l.* falls to John Dwight, Eſq; their only Son. *Ibid.*

Eight Bells are making for Chriſt's Church, Spittlefields, by Mr. Phelps; the Tenor is to weigh 36 Hundred Weight. The Pariſh have, by voluntary Subſcriptions, already rais'd 1200 *l.* to pay for the ſame

The Diſtemper which was ſo general in London about two Months ago, is now become univerſal in many parts of the Country, and much more fatal, particularly in Derbyſhire, where two or three in a Family have dy'd ſuddenly, and many others have been ſick all at once; and in the Eaſt-riding of Yorkſhire, it has prevailed ſo much, that there are ſcarce any remaining in Health to nurſe the Sick. *Morning Poſt.*

On Thurſday in the Evening a Gentleman's Servant was attacked in the Fields, as he was going to Hackney, by three Foot-pads, who robbed him of fifteen Shillings, and uſed him in a barbarous Manner. *Ibid.*

On Thurſday laſt the Marquiſs d' Aix had a private Audience of Leave of his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, to which he was introduced by Sir Clement Cottrell, Kt. Maſter of the Ceremonies. *Gazette.*

On Friday the Marqueſs d' Aix had a private Audience of Leave of his Royal Highneſs the Duke, of her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Royal, and of their Royal Highneſſes the Princeſſes Amelia, Caroline, Mary, and Louiſa; to whom he was introduced by the Maſter of the Ceremonies. *Ibid.*

On Thurſday Morning Money was ſent down to Chatham and Sheerneſs, to pay his Majeſty's Ships under-mentioned.

Guernſey, at Chatham.

Roſe, to the 31ſt of October 1729, at Sherenefs. *Evening Poſt.*

On Monday the 12th of this Inſtant, the two Months Wages due in ſix, to the Companies of his Majeſty's Ships Angleſea and Experiment, will be paid at the Pay-Office in Broadſtreet. *Ibid.*

Monday, Jan. 5.

On Thurſday laſt James Ford was committed to the New Goal in Southwark by Juſtice Lade, for ſtabbing one John Bullin in the Throat with a Knife. *Courant.*

On Friday laſt the Keeper of the Poultry Compter receiv'd Advice, that the Swede, who was concerned in robbing and ſetting fire to the Houſe of Dr. Douglas, and broke out of the aforeſaid Compter, is taken and confined in one of the Goals in Cornwall, and a Copy of his Commitment was ſent down thither, in order for his being brought up to London, to take his Trial at the Old Baily. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday Morning a Fire broke out at a Barber's the corner of the Maze Gate in Tooley Street Southwark, but was ſoon extinguiſh'd by timely aſſiſtance. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday Katherine Plumer, *alias* Buck, was committed to Newgate by Juſtice Newton, on the Oath of William Bailey, for picking his Pocket of a Broad-piece, three Guineas and a half, and ſome Silver. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday their Majeſties, the Prince of Wales, his Highneſs the Duke, the Princeſs Royal, and the Princeſſes Amelia, Carolina, Mary, and Louiſa, appeared at the Court at St. James's in deep Mourning, on Account of the death of the Margravine-Dowager of Brandenburg, Siſter-in-Law to her Majeſty; as did alſo a great Number of the Nobility and Gentry, and all the Servants above Stairs under the Lord Chamberlain, as likewiſe the Servants under the Lord Steward. The ſaid Mourning is to be continued for ſix Weeks, and then the Court is to go into ſecond Mourning for ſix Weeks more, on Account of the death of the ſaid Princeſs of Anſpach, *Poſt-Boy.*

Yeſterday their Majeſties, the Prince of Wales, and the three eldeſt Princeſſes, went to the Royal Chapel at St. James's, preceded by the Heralds and Purſuivants at Arms, and attended by a great Number of Nobility and Gentry; the Knights of the Garter, Thiſtle, and Bath, being in their Collars of S. S. The Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount Torrington, Kt. of the Bath, carried the Sword of State to and from the Chappel before his Majeſty; and the Rev. Dr. Byrch, Chancellor of Worceſter, preached the Sermon. *Ibid.*

The ſame Day their Majeſties, the Prince of Wales, the Princeſs Royal, and the Princeſſes Amelia, and Carolina, dined in Publick. His Grace the Duke of Hamilton waited on his Majeſty, the Dutcheſs of Dorſet carved, and waited on the Queen, and the Lord Marquiſs of Carnarvon on the Prince of Wales. *Ibid.*

Alſo the ſame Day the Rev. Dr. Clark, one of the Prebendaries of Wincheſter, preach'd before his Highneſs Prince William, Duke of Cumberland, and the Princeſſes Mary and Louiſa, in his Highneſs's Apartment. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday the Right Rev. Dr. Edmund Gibſon, Lord Biſhop of London, ordained five Prieſts at the Chappel Royal at St. James's. *Ibid.*

On Saturday laſt dy'd Major-General Wheeler at his Houſe in Soho. *Ibid.*

On Friday Night laſt, the Right Hon. the Lord Limerick and his Lady, arriv'd here from Ireland, with a great Retinue at his Houſe in Sherard Street, near Golden Square. *Ibid.*

Laſt Friday the Rev. Mr. Flood, who belonged to the Fleet Priſon, dy'd ſuddenly at his Lodgings in the Liberty of the Fleet, where he had been a Priſoner ſeveral Years for Debt. *Ibid.*

'Tis ſaid that Major-General Sabine will be made Governor of Gibraltar, in the room of the Earl of Portmore, deceaſed. *Daily Poſt.*

On Thurſday Night laſt, between eleven and twelve, dy'd at his Seat at Burleigh on the Hill in Rutlandſhire, the Right Hon. Daniel Finch, Earl of Winchelſea and Nottingham, Viſcount Maidſtone, Baron Fitz-Herbert of Eaſtwell, Baron Finch of Daventry, Lord of the Royal Manor of Wye, and Bart. one of his Majeſty's moſt Hon. Privy Council, and one of the Governors of the Charter-Houſe. In the Reigns of King William and Queen Anne, he was Secretary of State; alſo one of the Commiſſioners to treat of an Union with Scotland; and upon the death of the ſaid Queen was made choice of by the late King to be one of the Lords Juſtices, till he arrived from Hanover, who after his Coronation made him Preſident of the Council, and ſettled on him a Penſion of 2500 *l. per Annum.* He married to his firſt Wife the Lady Eſſex Rich, Daughter and Co-Heir to Robert Earl of Warwick, by whom he had a Daughter named Mary, who was firſt married to William Savile, Marqueſs of Hallifax, and afterwards to John now Duke of Roxburgh: And by his 2d Wife Anne, only Daughter of Chriſtopher Lord Viſcount Hatton, he had five Sons and eight Daughters, of which Sons Daniel the eldeſt, who was a few Days ago married to the Lady Frances Fielding, ſucceeds him in Honour and Eſtate: He is Knight of the Shire in the preſent Parliament for the County of Rutland, and Comptroller of the Houſhold. 2. William, lately Envoy Extraordinary to the States General, and Member for Cockermouth. 3 John, Member for Higham Ferrers, one of the King's Council at Law. 4 Henry, Member for Malton, and Receiver General of the Revenues in the Iſland of Minorca. 5. Edward, Member for the Univerſity of Cambridge, and Envoy to the Court of Sweden. Of the Daughters, the Lady Eſſex, who dy'd in 1721, was then the Wife of Sir Roger Moſtyn, Bart. the Lady Charlotte is Wife to the preſent Duke of Somerſet, and the Lady Mary unmarry'd; the reſt dying young. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday Morning the new-married Counteſs of Nottingham, together with her two Brothers-in-Law the Hon. William Finch, Eſq; and Mr. Counſellor Finch, ſet out for Burleigh on the Hill in the County of Rutland, to attend the Funeral of their deceaſed Father the late Earl of Nottingham. *Poſt Boy,*

Tueſday, Jan. 6.

Yeſterday Evening one of his Majeſty's Meſſengers in Ordinary, arrived at his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle's Office at Whitehall, from the Earl of Waldegrave at Vienna. *Poſt Boy.*

Yeſterday Morning another of his Majeſty's Meſſengers in Ordinary, was diſpatched from the ſaid Office with Letters for Stephen Poynts, Eſq; at Paris. *Ibid.*

Laſt Night his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales was at the Theatre Royal in Lincoln's-Inn Fields, and ſaw the Farce of two Acts, called the *Country Houſe*, and the new Dramatick Entertainment, called *Perſeus and Andromeda*, or *the Spaniard outwitted. Ibid.*

The Commiſſioners for victualling his Majeſty's Navy, have made a Contract with the Maſters of two Veſſels, to tranſport 200 Tons of Proviſion; Bisket, Beef, and Pork, to Gibraltar, for the Garriſon there. *Ibid.*

Laſt Sunday Night about eleven o' Clock, Mr. Stalton the Brewer, was attack'd near the end of Thrift-ſtreet, Soho, by a ſingle Villain, who pull'd out a Bludgeon, and knock'd him down, and then rifled him of his Gold watch and Money, which Mr. Stalton believes to be upwards of 12 *l.* and then made off; and yeſterday he was ſeized offering Mr. Stalton's Watch to pawn, and being carried before a Magiſtrate, was committed to New-Priſon. *Ibid.*

A Commiſſion is preparing to paſs the Seals, impowering the Prince of Wales to nominate and appoint the ſeveral Officers that ſerve under his Royal Highneſs, both Domeſtick and others. *Daily Poſt.*

On Thurſday laſt dy'd of a Fever, the Rev. Dr. Dobſon, Warden of Wincheſter College. He will be ſucceeded by the Rev. Dr. Bigg, Warden of New Colledge in Oxford. *Ibid.*

Laſt Night was brought from Upholders Hall in Leadenhall-ſtreet, in great Solemnity, the Corpſe of Thomas Preſton, Eſq; late Alderman of the Ward of Bridge, and interr'd in a Vault belonging to the Family, at St. Magnus the Martyr. The Pall was ſupported by the following Aldermen, *viz.* Sir Richard Brocas, Kt. Lord Mayor, Francis Child, Eſq; Sir Edward Bellamy, Kt. Robert Alſop, Eſq; John Barnard, Eſq; Sir Thomas Lombe, Kt. attended by his Relations, the Deputy, and all the Common Councilmen of his Ward. *Ibid.*

The Morning Poſt *ſays that the Pall-bearers were the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Sir Gilbert Heathcoat, Sir Edward Beecher, Sir John Williams, Alderman Child, and Alderman Barber. The* London Evening *agrees with the* Daily Poſt.

The Priſoners in Chelmsford Goal, have paſſed the Holidays much to their Satisfaction, in the Company of a Merry Andrew, lately ſent thither from Epping. Two Itinerant ſons of Æſculapius met there, and had a fierce Conteſt who ſhould have the Calves of Eſſex. One was mounted on his Stage in the uſual Pomp, the other on a Tub near enough to diſturb him. The facetious Mortal now with us, preſuming his Words were to go for nothing, threatned the Tub-Doctor to revenge this Inſult in another Place; upon which he ſwore the Peace againſt him. Upon ſpending the Garniſh Money, Merry Andrew's Hearing came on, as is the Cuſtom, and he was acquitted, there being no proof that he had ſold him a Packet, and it being urged in his favour that his Pills were the only Weapons he carry'd about him to bring a Man in danger of his Life, *Daily Journal.*

This is a good admonition to thoſe Sons of Æſculapius *who wear Swords.*

Complaints have been made to ſeveral of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the Liberty of Weſtminſter, that many Boys and Apprentices have loſt their Money by gaming at the Orange Barrows. Orders have been given to ſecure all ſuch Perſons as follow that trade of inticing Youth, and many have been taken up, purſuant to thoſe Orders, and committed to Bridewell. *Morning Poſt.*

Her Majeſty ſent to buy the Collection of Plays Advertiſed in this Paper of laſt Week to be ſold in Brook-ſtreet, Holbourn, and we hear was asked 100 *l.* for them. *London Evening.*

Wedneſday, Jan. 7.

This Day is publiſhed the Treaty of Peace, Union, and mutual Defence, between the Crowns of Great-Britain, France, and Spain, concluded at Seville on the 9th of November, *N.S.* Printed for Mr. Buckley.

Yeſterday Evening, between 4 and 5 o' Clock, a Coal Lighter, thro' the thickneſs of the Fog, ran againſt a Sculler Boat near Whitehall Stairs, by which Accident a Woman Paſſenger was drowned, and the Waterman narrowly ſaved his Life. *Daily Journal.*

Yeſterday his Majeſty went to the Royal Chappel at St. James's, and made his Offering of the three ſeveral Purſes of Gold, Frankincence, and Myrrh, according to antient Cuſtom; after which their Majeſties, the Prince of Wales, and the three eldeſt Princeſſes dined in publick State in the great Ball-room, and at Night there was a Ball at Court. *Morning Poſt.*

FOREIGN-NEWS.

Duſſeldorp, Jan. 31. N. S. Some days ago a gang of vagabonds ſet fire to a large country farm-houſe, belonging to the abbey of Gravenreindorp, by which the ſame, with a great quantity of corn, &c. were conſumed. *London Journal.*

Hague, Jan. 6. This day the States of the province of Holland came to a reſolution, to ratify the act of acceſſion to the treaty of Seville. The ſtates of Gelderland were to meet on the 3d inſtant, and Overyſſel the 4th, and 'tis expected they will paſs the like reſolution, and be followed therein very ſoon by Utrecht, Zealand, and Groningham. *Ibid*, and *Britiſh Journal.*

Verſailles, Jan. 5. N.S. On the 1ſt inſtant, the princes and princeſſes of the blood; and the lords and ladies of the court had the honour to compliment the King and Queen upon the new year. *Daily Courant*, and *Daily Poſt.*

The *Prevoſt des Marchands* & *Echevins*, accompanied by the other officers of the *Corps de Ville*, paid their reſpects to their Majeſties, Monſeigneur the Dauphin, and Mes-Dames de France, upon that occaſion. *Daily Courant*, and *Daily Poſt Boy.*

The Provoſt of the tradeſmen and the ſherifs, *&c.* *Daily Poſt.*

The ſame day, the King, accompanied by the Duke of Orleans, the Count de Charolois, the Prince of Dombes, the Count of Eu, the Count de Toulouſe, and the knights, commanders, and officers of the orders, who met in his Majeſty's cabinet, went to the chappel of the caſtle. The King, before whom the 2 ſerjeants of the chamber carry'd their maces, was in the mantle and collar of the order; as were likewiſe the knights. His Majeſty heard high maſs celebrated by the Abbot Teſnieres, chaplain in ordinary to the chappel of muſick, and ſung to muſick. The Queen, accompany'd by the Ladies of her court, heard the ſame maſs in her galley. *ibid.*

Jan. 3. N. S. Count Golofkin, ambaſſador extraordinary of the Czar, had a private audience of the King in his cabinet, and complimented his Majeſty in the name of the Czar, upon the birth of the Dauphin. *Ibid.*

The Biſhop of Limoges having deſired the King to accept the reſignation of his biſhoprick, his Majeſty has nominated the Abbot de Liſle du Gaſt to ſucceed him. *ibid.*

Paris, Jan. 7. N. S. The Biſhop of Niſmes is nominated deputy of the province of Languedoc, for the general aſſembly of the clergy that is to be held here in the month of *May* next. *Daily Courant* and *Poſt.*

The Count of Saxony has lately made a ſecond proof of his galley, which ſucceeded perfectly well, having been rowed up the Seine from Pont de Seve to Pont Royal in half an hour, by four men only, who worked 38 oars by means of certain ſprings. That gentleman is gone to Rouen this week to try another experiment; namely, to get thither in 24 hours, and to come back again in 3 days. *ibid.* and *Daily Poſt-Boy.*

Meſſire Alexander Gaudechard, Count d' Eſſeville, lieutenant general of the King's armies, Great Croſs of the royal and military order of S. Lewis, *&c.* died here the 1ſt inſtant, aged 74. *ibid.*

Meſſire John Baptiſt de Trouſſet de Valincour, ſecretary to the navy, one of the 40 members of the French Academy, and honorary member of the Royal Academy of ſciences, died here the 5th in the 77th year of his age.

On New-years day, Monſ. de Peletier des Forts, comptroller general of the Finances, and Monſ. d' Angervilliers, ſecretary at war, took their places in the council of ſtate for the firſt time. *ibid.*

'Tis ſaid the Abbot de Theſut left behind him above 800, 000 livres, in ready money, beſides a great deal of plate and fine furniture, *ibid.*

There was made for the Dauphin, on purpoſe to receive the compliments the new year in, a ſcarlet mantle fac'd with ſpaniſh gold point, with the Holy Ghoſt embroidered upon it. *Daily Courant* and *Evening-Poſt.*

The Whitehall-Evening has border'd *inſtead of* faced,

The Daily-Poſt and St. James's Evening ſays it was embroider'd with point of Spain of gold, over which was likewiſe embroider'd a Holy Ghoſt. *The London Evening ſays*, bordered *inſtead of* embroidered.

The Daily Poſt-Boy has it, a ſcarlet cloak trimm'd with gold ſpaniſh point.

Monſ. Leſcalopier, ſon to the intendant of Chalons, was laſt week admitted Advocate-general in the great council, in the room of Monſ. d' Auby. *Daily Courant* and *Poſt-Boy.*

Monſ. Turmemes de Montigny is continued in the place of keeper of the royal treaſury, in the room of his brother deceas'd; and his nephew is made his aſſiſtant in that office, *Daily Courant.*

The Daily Poſt and *London Evening, ſay*, is continued in the office of Caſhier of the royal treaſure, which his late brother had, *&c.* *The Daily Journal*, is continued in the charge of keeping the royal treaſure, which his late brother had, *&c.* *But the Daily Poſt-Boy, ſays*, he ſucceeds his late brother in the place of keeper of the royal treaſury, &c. *which I take to be the true reading*

Monday, Jan. 5.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from Holland.

Frankfort, Jan. 4. N.S. The Imperial recruits are carried on with extraordinary ſucceſs throughout the Empire; ſo that thoſe deſign'd for the regiments in Naples and Sicily may be ſent thither about ſix weeks hence. *Daily Courant.*

Hambourgh, Jan. 3. It is hardly to be believed what a number of young fellows liſt themſelves in the Emperor's ſervice. Several Jewiſh horſe-courſers are likewiſe arrived here from Prague, who are furniſhed with imperial paſſports to buy up ſome thouſands of horſes in the dutchy of Holſtein, for the train of artillery and other uſes. *Ibid.*

Amſterdam, Jan. 6. The conferences at Brunſwick are ſuſpended; but will be renewed again ſoon after 12th Day. *Ibid.*

Jan. 9. On the 5th inſtant dy'd in the Waele-hoek here, Elsje Pieters, Wid. of Reynier Bemelman, aged 111. *Ibid.*

The Daily Journal *has* Elſie *inſtead of* Elsje; *and* Reynter *inſtead of*, Reynier.

Bruſſels, Jan. 9. On the 5th inſtant arrived here the Count de Kunig gentleman of the bed-chamber to the Duke of Lorrain, and Capt. in the regiment of Hamilton, to compliment the Arch-dutcheſs our governeſs in the name of the Duke his maſter; for which purpoſe he was admitted to an audience the next day with great diſtinction. They write from Antwerp, that one of the greateſt ſharers in the Oſtend Company ſold out moſt of his ſtock laſt week; and that the Stock is thereupon fallen from 150 to 146. *Poſt Boy.*

Hanover, Jan. 4. Baron Stein, Miniſter of the D. of Wolfenbuttel at the congreſs of Brunſwick, is gone from thence to make a report to the D. his maſter of the ſituation of affairs at that congreſs: And it is ſaid, that as ſoon as he returns thither the conferences will begin again, to terminate the differences between this court and that of Berlin. *Daily-Poſt.*

Tueſday, Jan. 6.

Hague, Jan. 6. N. S. The miniſters of the Princes arbitrators for accommodating the differences between the Kings of Great Britain and Pruſſia, have ſuſpended their conferences, which ſeems to prognoſticate an entire rupture of them. Baron Stein, Privy-counſellor to the D. of Wolfembutel, is indeed return'd to his maſter from Hanover: But the miniſter of Saxe-Gotha, is not yet return'd from Berlin; which makes us apprehend his Pruſſian Majeſty has no intention to come to an amicable agreement. This is moreover confirm'd by the clandeſtine augmentation of his troops; and particularly with 3000 dragoons, of which he has great need. Mean while, the new levies are continued in the Duchy of Cleves with as much vigour as ever; and tho' there are hardly people enow to till the land, the Pruſſian officers take all they can lay their hands on, that they think fit for the ſervice. *Poſt-Boy.*

Prices of STOCKS Yeſterday.

South Sea 105 1 half. Ditto Annuities 105 5 8ths. India 188 1 half. Bank 139 1 half. 3 *per Cent.* 97 1 fourth. African 47. York B. 20 1 8th. Royal Ex. 88. London Aſſ. 11 3 fourths. Mill. B. 106. Bank Cir. 1 half prem. S. S. Bond, 4*l.* 4*s.* a 5. India Bond, 5*l.* 3*s.* a 4.

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